

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 3569 - SB 3569

February 22, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires judicial assessment of costs and reasonable attorney fees based on a written finding by the Senate or House of Representatives that an election contest was maliciously or frivolously prosecuted.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Any additional cost associated with judicial assessment relating to these cases can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- The costs and reasonable attorney's fees are assessed against the contestant or the appellant if the contest or appeal is maliciously or frivolously prosecuted. The proposed bill does not change this provision.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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